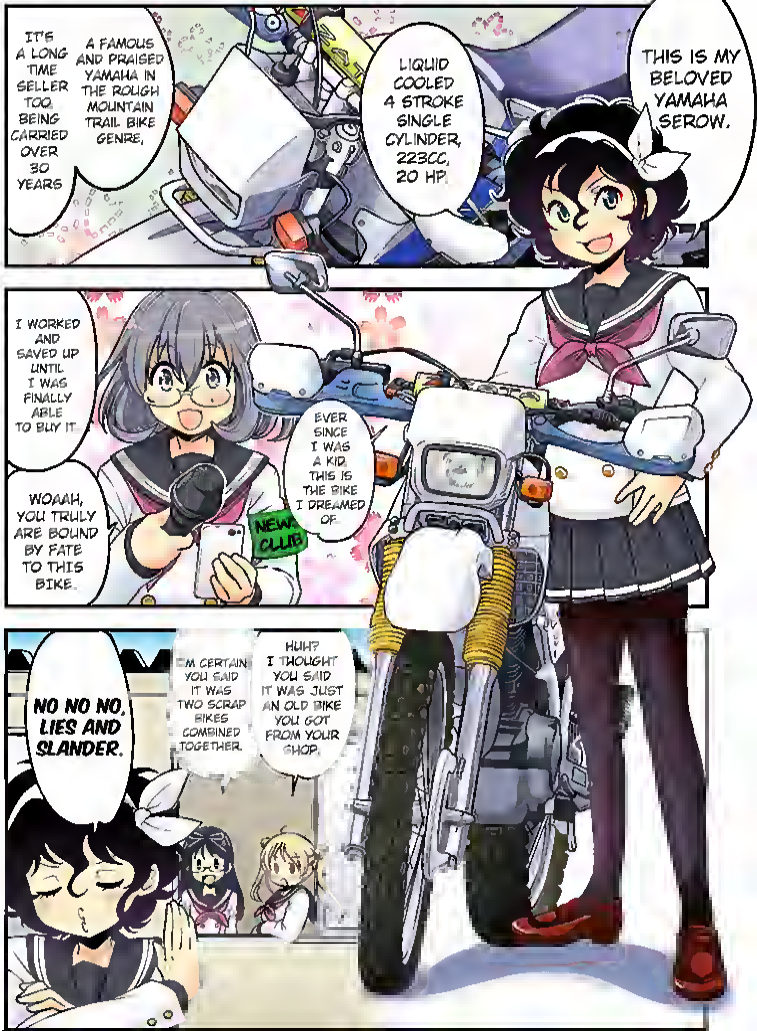
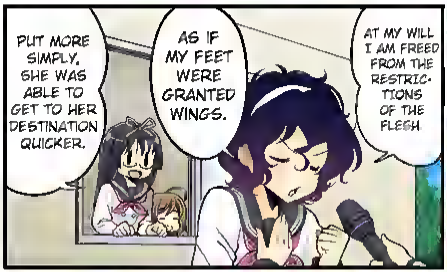
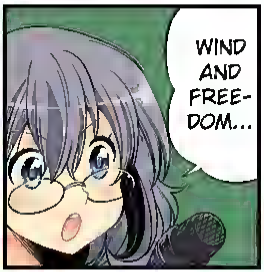
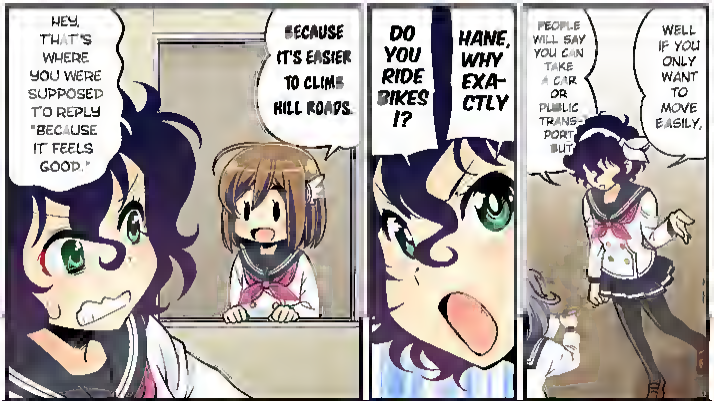
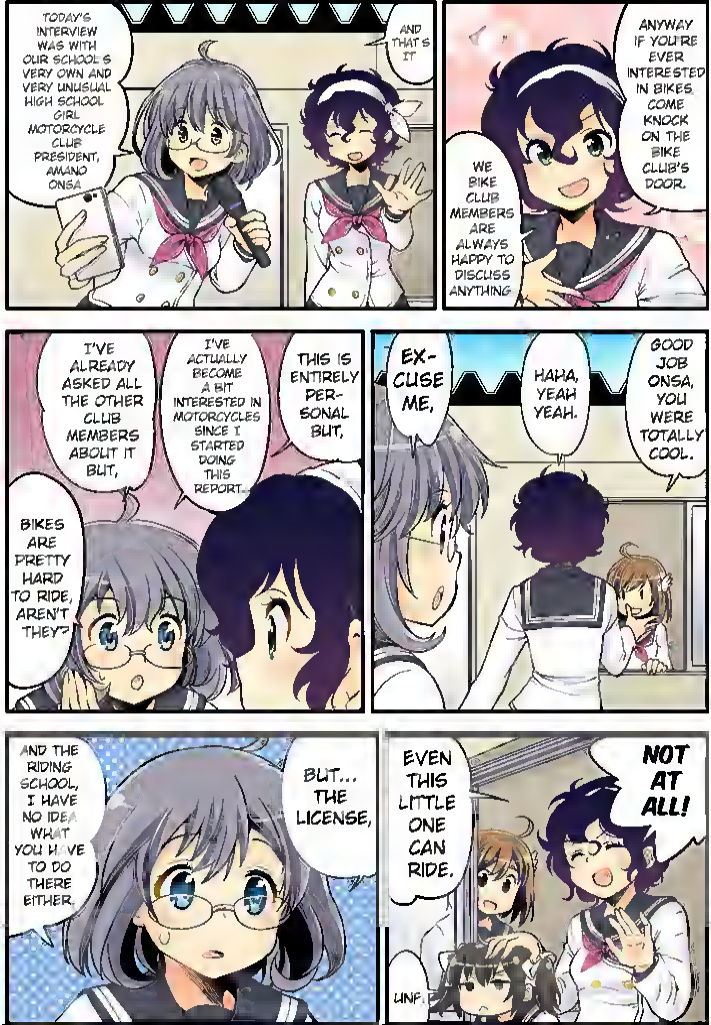

THIS IS MY BELOVED YAMAHA SEROW.
LIQUID COOLED 4 STROKE SINGLE CYLINDER, 223CC, 20 HP.
A FAMOUS AND PRAISED YAMAHA IN THE ROUGH MOUNTAIN TRAIL BIKE GENRE.
IT'S A LONG TIME SELLER TOO, BEING CARRIED OVER 30 YEARS
EVER SINCE I WAS A KID, THIS IS THE BIKE I DREAMED OF.
I WORKED AND SAVED UP UNTIL I WAS FINALLY ABLE TO BUY IT.
NEW CLUB
WOAAH, YOU TRULY ARE BOUND BY FATE TO THIS BIKE.
HUH? I THOUGHT YOU SAID IT WAS JUST AN OLD BIKE YOU GOT FROM YOUR SHOP.
I'M CERTAIN YOU SAID IT WAS TWO SCRAP BIKES COMBINED TOGETHER.
NO NO NO, LIES AND SLANDER.

WHEN I STARTED RIDING BIKES I OBTAINED TWO THINGS.
THAT IS
THE WIND,
AND FREEDOM.


AT MY WILL I AM FREED FROM THE RESTRICTIONS OF THE FLESH
AS IF MY FEET WERE GRANTED WINGS.
PUT MORE SIMPLY, SHE WAS ABLE TO GET TO HER DESTINATION QUICKER.


WIND AND FREEDOM...


HEY, THAT'S WHERE YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO REPLY "BECAUSE IT FEELS GOOD."
BECAUSE IT'S EASIER TO CLIMB HILL ROADS.
DO YOU RIDE BIKES!?
HANE, WHY EXACTLY
PEOPLE WILL SAY YOU CAN TAKE A CAR OR PUBLIC TRANSPORT BUT
WELL IF YOU ONLY WANT TO MOVE EASILY,


TODAY'S INTERVIEW WAS WITH OUR SCHOOL'S VERY OWN AND VERY UNUSUAL HIGH SCHOOL GIRL MOTORCYCLE CLUB PRESIDENT, AMANO ONSA.
AND THAT'S IT.
WE BIKE CLUB MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS HAPPY TO DISCUSS ANYTHING.
ANYWAY IF YOU'RE EVER INTERESTED IN BIKES, COME KNOCK ON THE BIKE CLUB'S DOOR.
I'VE ALREADY ASKED ALL THE OTHER CLUB MEMBERS ABOUT IT BUT,
I'VE ACTUALLY BECOME A BIT INTERESTED IN MOTORCYCLES SINCE I STARTED DOING THIS REPORT.
THIS IS ENTIRELY PERSONAL BUT,
BIKES ARE PRETTY HARD TO RIDE, AREN'T THEY?
EXCUSE ME,
HAHA, YEAH YEAH.
GOOD JOB ONSA, YOU WERE TOTALLY COOL.
AND THE RIDING SCHOOL, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO THERE EITHER.
BUT... THE LICENSE,
EVEN THIS LITTLE ONE CAN RIDE.
NOT AT ALL!
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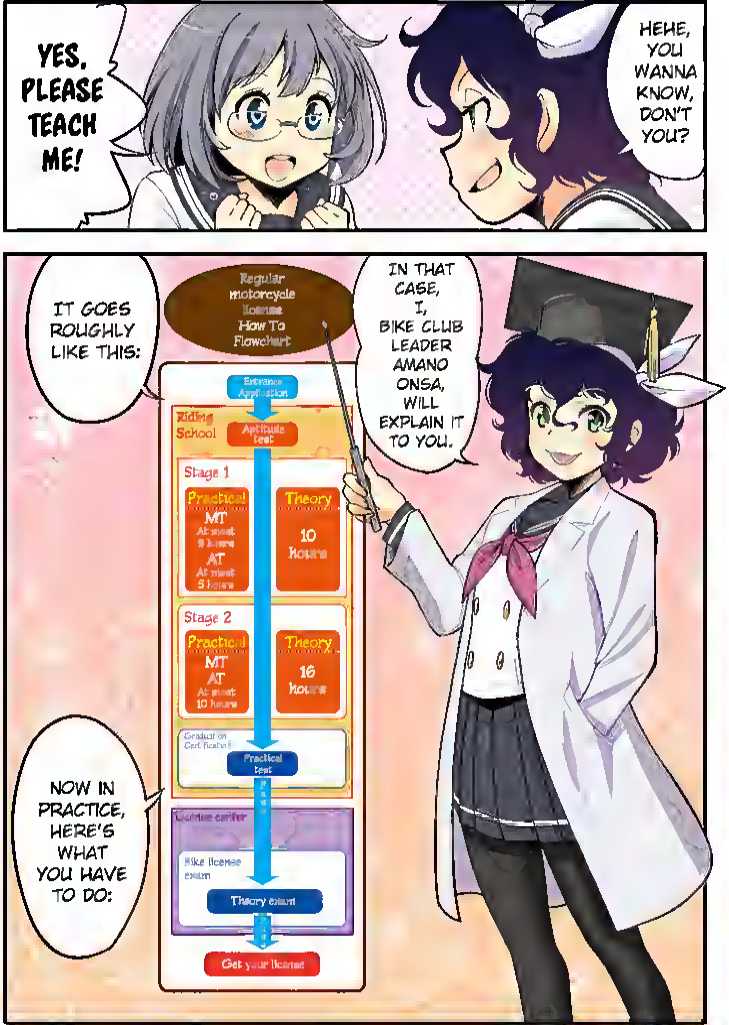
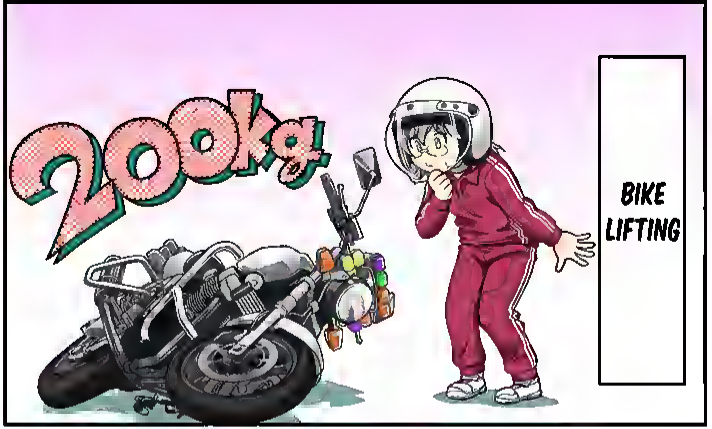
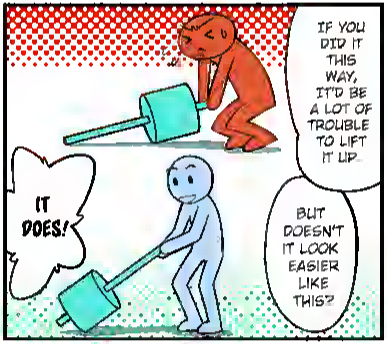
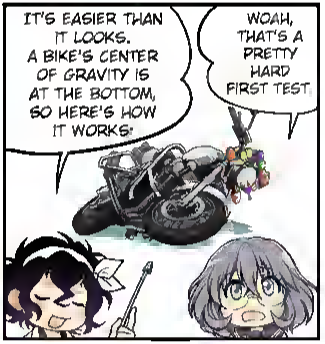
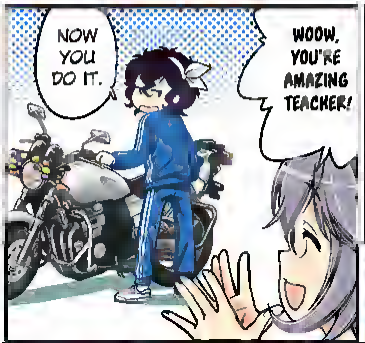

YES. PLEASE TEACH ME!
HEHE, YOU WANNA KNOW, DON'T YOU?
IT GOES ROUGHLY LIKE THIS:
Regular Motorcycle license How To Flowchart
IN THAT CASE, I, BIKE CLUB LEADER AMANO ONSA, WILL EXPLAIN IT TO YOU.
Entrance Application
Riding School
Aptitude test
Stage 1
Practical
MT
At most 9 hours
AT
At most 9 hours
Theory
10 hours
Stage 2
Practical
MT
AT
At most 10 hours
Theory
16 hours
Graduation Certification
Practical test
Examination center
Bike license exam
Theory exam
Get your license
NOW IN PRACTICE, HERE'S WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO:

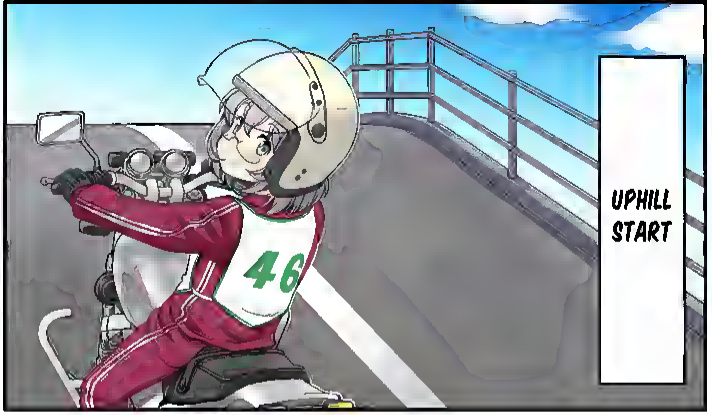

200kg
BIKE LIFTING


IF YOU DID IT THIS WAY, IT'D BE A LOT OF TROUBLE TO LIFT IT UP.
BUT DOESN'T IT LOOK EASIER LIKE THIS?
IT DOES!


WOAH, THAT'S A PRETTY HARD FIRST TEST.
IT'S EASIER THAN IT LOOKS. A BIKE'S CENTER OF GRAVITY IS AT THE BOTTOM, SO HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:


NOW YOU DO IT.
WOOW, YOU'RE AMAZING TEACHER!

AND THERE.
SO WITHOUT YOUR BACK, YOU USE YOUR LEGS' POWER TO LIFT IT UP.
YOU DON'T NEED TO USE YOUR ARMS EITHER.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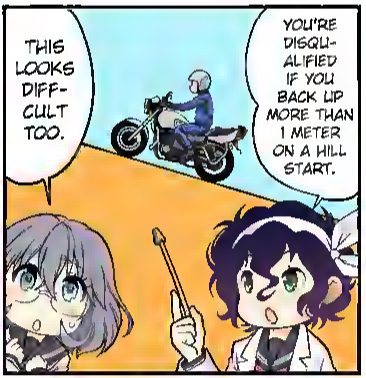
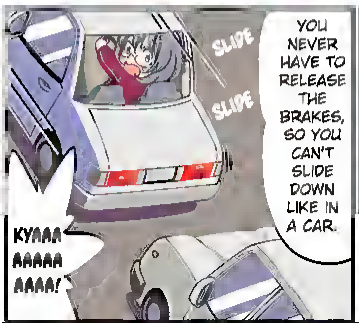
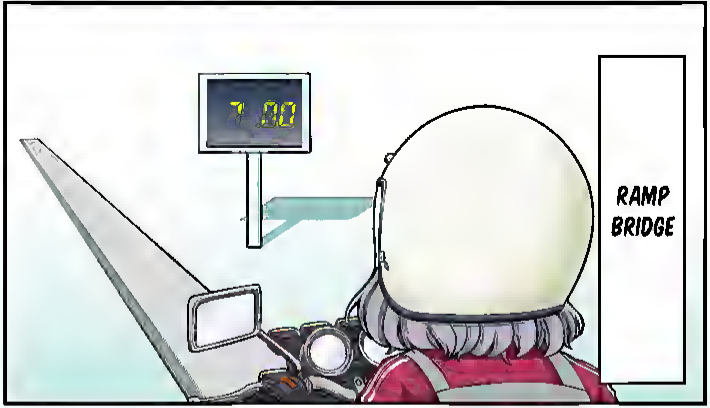
UPHILL START

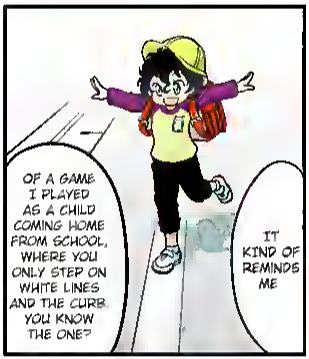
HILL STARTS ON A BIKE,
ARE ACTUALLY VERY EASY.

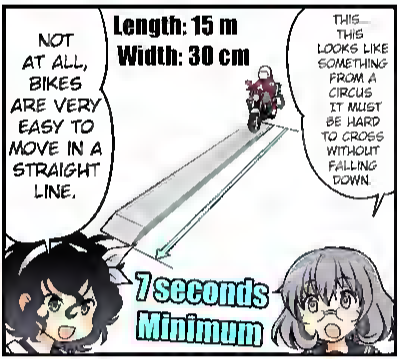

THIS LOOKS DIFF-CULT TOO.
YOU'RE DISQU-ALIFIED IF YOU BACK UP MORE THAN 1 METER ON A HILL START.


SLIDE
SLIDE
YOU NEVER HAVE TO RELEASE THE BRAKES, SO YOU CAN'T SLIDE DOWN LIKE IN A CAR.
KYAAA AAAAA AAAA!

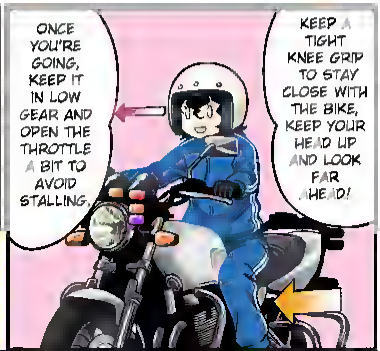
YOU CAN HOLD IT UNTIL YOU'RE READY TO GO.
NOW THE NEXT STEP IS TO GET THE REVS UP SOMEWHERE YOU FEEL IS SAFE.
USE THE FOOT BRAKE SO YOU DON'T BACK UP.

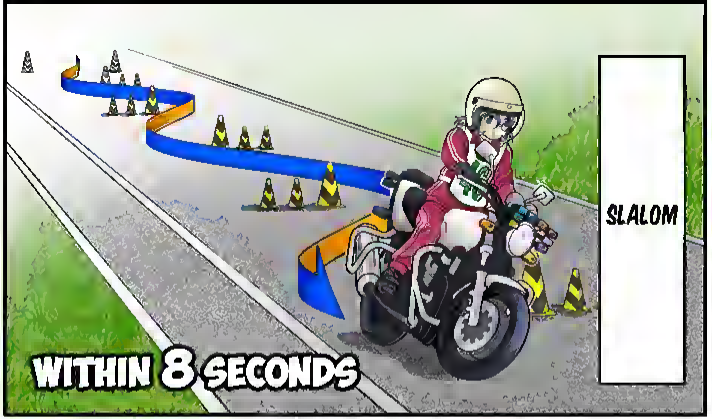

7.00
RAMP BRIDGE


OF A GAME I PLAYED AS A CHILD COMING HOME FROM SCHOOL, WHERE YOU ONLY STEP ON WHITE LINES AND THE CURB. YOU KNOW THE ONE?
IT KIND OF REMINDS ME

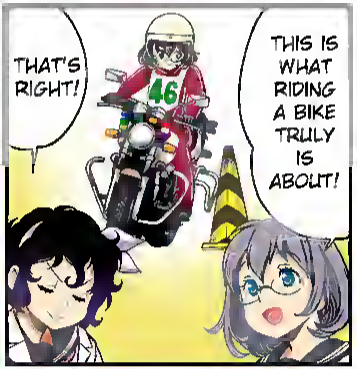

Length: 15 m
Width: 30 cm
NOT AT ALL, BIKES ARE VERY EASY TO MOVE IN A STRAIGHT LINE.
THIS... THIS LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING FROM A CIRCUS. IT MUST BE HARD TO CROSS WITHOUT FALLING DOWN.
7 seconds Minimum

IT'S SO EASY I YAWNED DOING IT.
AFTER THAT, JUST KEEP IT IDLING UNTIL YOU'VE PASSED THE CLEAR TIME.
TEACHER PLEASE LOOK AHEAD WHILE YOU'RE RIDING!


ONCE YOU'RE GOING, KEEP IT IN LOW GEAR AND OPEN THE THROTTLE A BIT TO AVOID STALLING.
KEEP A TIGHT KNEE GRIP TO STAY CLOSE WITH THE BIKE, KEEP YOUR HEAD UP AND LOOK FAR AHEAD!


SLALOM
WITHIN 8 SECONDS

AND IT'S ALSO THE MOST EXCITING TO LEARN.
IT'S WHAT FEELS THE BEST ONCE YOU LEARN HOW TO DO IT.


THAT'S RIGHT!
THIS IS WHAT RIDING A BIKE TRULY IS ABOUT!

IS THAT ERRATIC RIDING PRACTICE...
IT'S SO FUN TO DO, I WISH IT'D KEEP GOING FOREVER.
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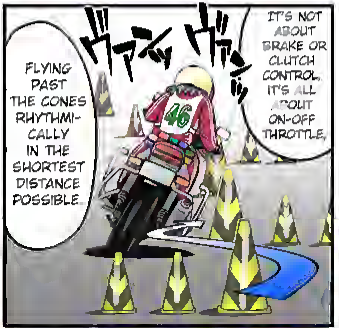
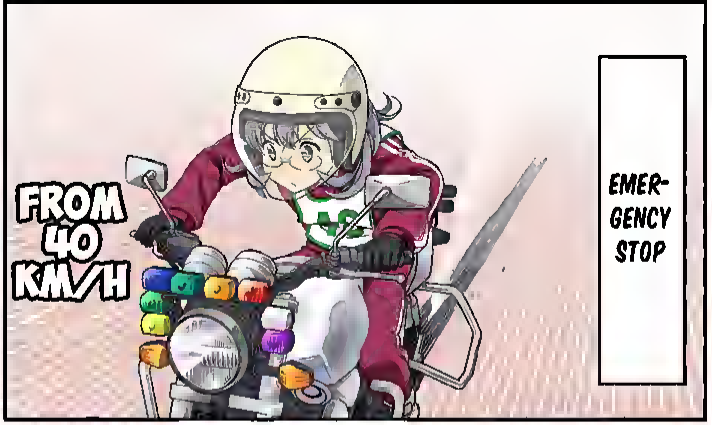
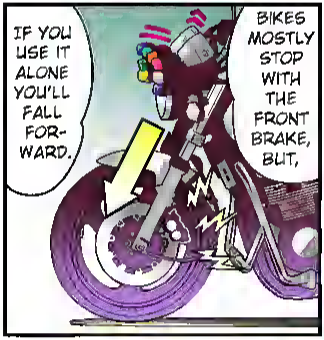
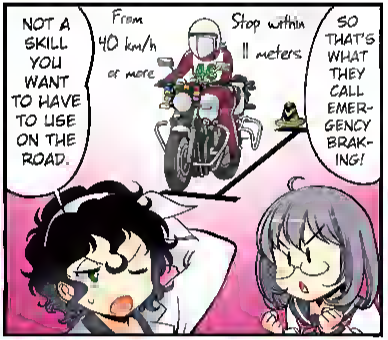
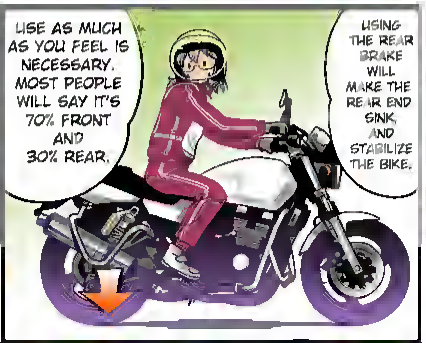

FLYING PAST THE CONES RHYTHMICALLY IN THE SHORTEST DISTANCE POSSIBLE.
IT'S NOT ABOUT BRAKE OR CLUTCH CONTROL, IT'S ALL ABOUT ON-OFF THROTTLE.


FROM 40 KM/H
EMER-GENCY STOP

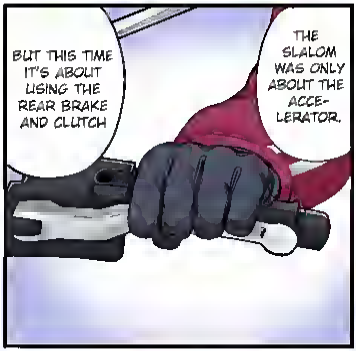

IF YOU USE IT ALONE YOU'LL FALL FOR-WARD.
BIKES MOSTLY STOP WITH THE FRONT BRAKE, BUT,

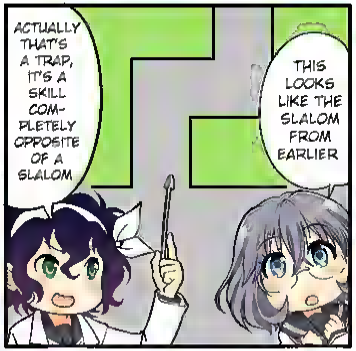

NOT A SKILL YOU WANT TO HAVE TO USE ON THE ROAD.
From 40 km/h or more
Stop within 11 meters
SO THAT'S WHAT THEY CALL EMER-GENCY BRAK-ING!

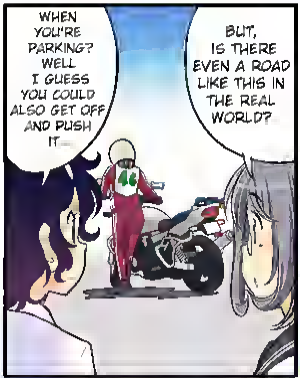
SKID MARKS GET YOU DISQU-ALIFIED.
SO I CAN LEAVE A COOL SKID MARK WHILE STOPPING RIGHT?
THAT PICTURE ABOVE IS A BAD EXAMPLE

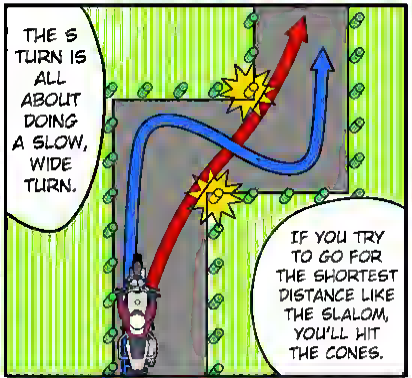

USE AS MUCH AS YOU FEEL IS NECESSARY. MOST PEOPLE WILL SAY IT'S 70% FRONT AND 30% REAR.
USING THE REAR BRAKE WILL MAKE THE REAR END SINK, AND STABILIZE THE BIKE.

"S" TURN
WIDTH: 2 M

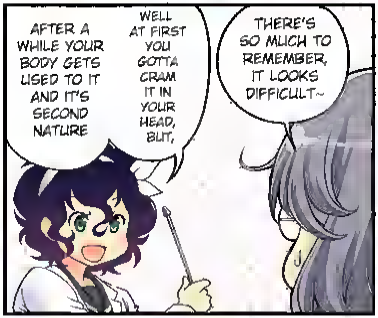

THE SLALOM WAS ONLY ABOUT THE ACCE-LERATOR.
BUT THIS TIME IT'S ABOUT USING THE REAR BRAKE AND CLUTCH

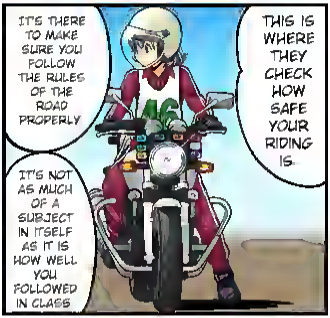

THIS LOOKS LIKE THE SLALOM FROM EARLIER
ACTUALLY THAT'S A TRAP, IT'S A SKILL COM-PLETELY OPPOSITE OF A SLALOM

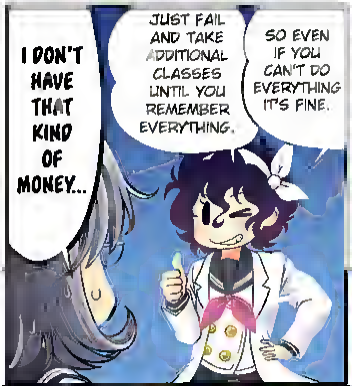

BUT, IS THERE EVEN A ROAD LIKE THIS IN THE REAL WORLD?
WHEN YOU'RE PARKING? WELL I GUESS YOU COULD ALSO GET OFF AND PUSH IT...


THE S TURN IS ALL ABOUT DOING A SLOW, WIDE TURN.
IF YOU TRY TO GO FOR THE SHORTEST DISTANCE LIKE THE SLALOM, YOU'LL HIT THE CONES.

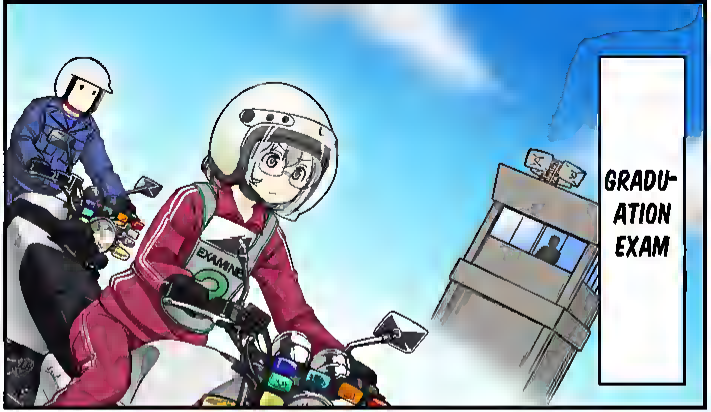
STOP
LAWS OF THE ROAD


THERE'S SO MUCH TO REMEMBER, IT LOOKS DIFFICULT~
WELL AT FIRST YOU GOTTA CRAM IT IN YOUR HEAD, BUT,
AFTER A WHILE YOUR BODY GETS USED TO IT AND IT'S SECOND NATURE


THIS IS WHERE THEY CHECK HOW SAFE YOUR RIDING IS.
IT'S THERE TO MAKE SURE YOU FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE ROAD PROPERLY
IT'S NOT AS MUCH OF A SUBJECT IN ITSELF AS IT IS HOW WELL YOU FOLLOWED IN CLASS


I DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF MONEY...
JUST FAIL AND TAKE ADDITIONAL CLASSES UNTIL YOU REMEMBER EVERYTHING.
SO EVEN IF YOU CAN'T DO EVERYTHING IT'S FINE.

AND THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'VE DONE THEM OVER AND OVER AGAIN UNTIL YOUR BODY ACQUIRED THEM.
ALL THOSE TASKS YOU DO AROUND THE HOUSE AND COOKING. YOU CAN'T GET THEM WRONG.


GRADU-
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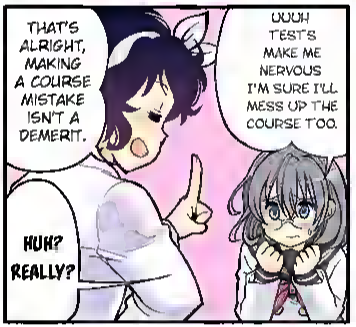
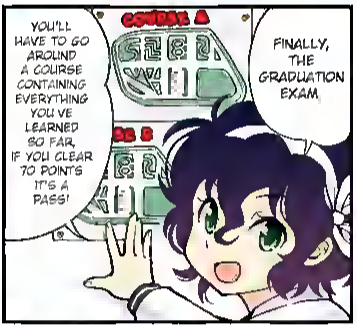
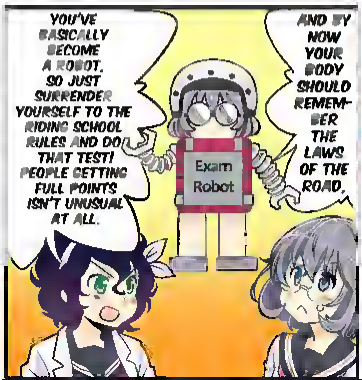
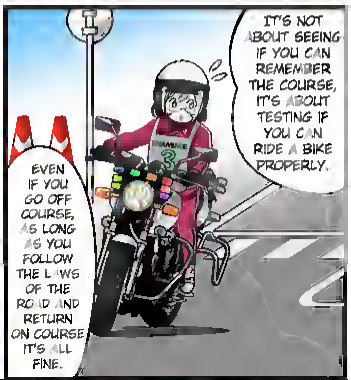
EXAM

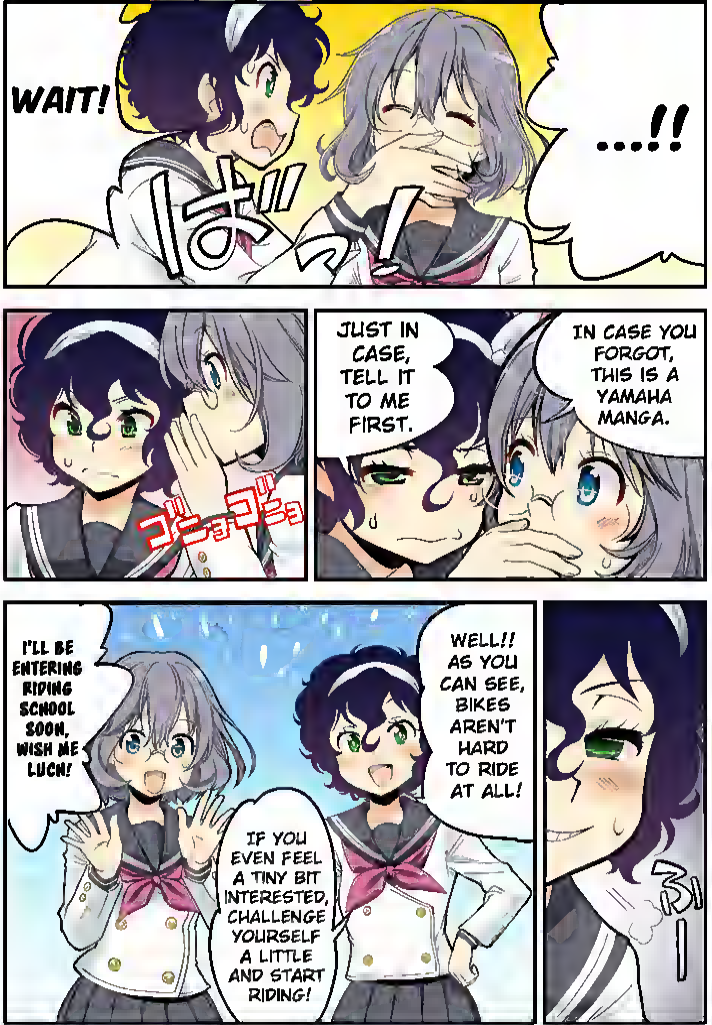

THAT'S ALRIGHT, MAKING A COURSE MISTAKE ISN'T A DEMERIT.
UUUH TESTS MAKE ME NERVOUS I'M SURE I'LL MESS UP THE COURSE TOO.
HUH? REALLY?


YOU'LL HAVE TO GO AROUND A COURSE CONTAINING EVERYTHING YOU'VE LEARNED SO FAR. IF YOU CLEAR 70 POINTS IT'S A PASS!
FINALLY, THE GRADUATION EXAM.


YOU'VE BASICALLY BECOME A ROBOT. SO JUST SURRENDER YOURSELF TO THE RIDING SCHOOL RULES AND DO THAT TEST! PEOPLE GETTING FULL POINTS ISN'T UNUSUAL AT ALL.
AND BY NOW YOUR BODY SHOULD REMEMBER THE LAWS OF THE ROAD.
Exam Robot


IT'S NOT ABOUT SEEING IF YOU CAN REMEMBER THE COURSE, IT'S ABOUT TESTING IF YOU CAN RIDE A BIKE PROPERLY.
EVEN IF YOU GO OFF COURSE, AS LONG AS YOU FOLLOW THE LAWS OF THE ROAD AND RETURN ON COURSE IT'S ALL FINE.

RIDING SCHOOLS EXIST SO PEOPLE CAN GET THEIR LICENSE...
OF COURSE YOU CAN.
TEACHER AMANO, NOW I FEEL LIKE I CAN GET MY LICENSE!
WELL, THAT'S ABOUT IT.
ACTUALLY I'VE ALREADY DECIDED!
IT'S A BIKE THAT TOTALLY FITS ME!
YES!
AND WHEN YOU GET YOUR LICENSE, YOU'LL FINALLY GET TO CHOOSE WHICH BIKE YOU WANT.
THE BIKE I WANT TO BUY IS...!
IT'S PERFECTLY NORMAL FOR YOU TO WANT YOUR LICENSE WHEN THERE'S A BIKE YOU WANT TO RIDE.
OH, THAT'S NICE!
EVEN BETTER IF YOU BUY IT AT OUR SHOP!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JUST IN CASE, TELL IT TO ME FIRST.
IN CASE YOU FORGOT, THIS IS A YAMAHA MANGA.
I'LL BE ENTERING RIDING SCHOOL SOON, WISH ME LUCK!
IF YOU EVEN FEEL A TINY BIT INTERESTED, CHALLENGE YOURSELF A LITTLE AND START RIDING!
WELL!! AS YOU CAN SEE, BIKES AREN'T HARD TO RIDE AT ALL!
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